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# STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

# Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of a National Application. No fee or certification is required.

## **Information Cited**

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application. The examiner's attention is hereby drawn to the attached French Search Report. As shown in the patent family search attached to the search report, U.S. Patent No. 5,467,354 corresponds to document EP 0590575, cited in the French search report.

#### REMARKS

Documents cited on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified) are enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). It is respectfully requested that:



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The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other

information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;

2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited

information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the

examination of this application;

3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this

application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no

representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that

more relevant information does not exist.

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representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to

patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no

representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior

art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own

conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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